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MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT : Requirement for High Resolution Photographic  
Coverage of South China and North Vietnam

REFERENCES : a. USIB-D-41.14/287 (COMOR-D-25/211)  
15 March 1966, Special Limited Distribution;  
Memorandums to Holders, both dated  
16 March 1966  
b. USIB-D-41.14/286 (COMOR-D-25/209)  
11 March 1966, Special Limited Distribution;  
Memorandums to Holders dated 15 March 1966  
and 16 March 1966  
c. USIB-D-41.14/283 (COMOR-D-25/207)  
4 March 1966, Special Limited Distribution  
d. USIB-D-41.14/281 (COMOR-D-25/206)  
1 March 1966, Limited Distribution

1. The United States Intelligence Board (USIB), at its meeting  
on 17 March, considered the Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance  
(COMOR) Recommendations in paragraph 13. of reference a. in the  
light of Central Intelligence Agency briefings on factors taken into  
account by COMOR in response to the Board's action in paragraph 1.b.  
of reference b., and the Defense Intelligence Agency amendments to  
these Recommendations circulated by Memorandum to Holders of  
USIB-D-41.14/287.

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2. Following a thorough discussion, the USIB approved the revised statement of Recommendations contained in the Attachment hereto, which is accordingly circulated for information and guidance of all concerned. As indicated in the Attachment, General Davis submitted a dissenting footnote to Recommendation a., while the FBI Member abstained.

3. A summary of the Board's discussion of this item will be circulated subsequently as a Memorandum For Holders of this document to be appended hereto.

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*Amended  
17 March*

USIB Approved Recommendations on  
Requirement for High Resolution Photographic  
Coverage of South China and North Vietnam

a. The OXCART be deployed immediately to provide a back-up, quick response collection capability in the area.\*

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b. [ ] U-2 program devote an immediate and maximum effort to acquire the required photography in the South China area.

c. The OXCART and the U-2 be used as necessary in a continuing flexible follow-on program to obtain and maintain the maximum surveillance possible that weather will allow.

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d. [ ] KH-4 be employed to the maximum to supplement the coverage obtained under a. through c.

\*The Army recommends the OXCART be deployed and used immediately.

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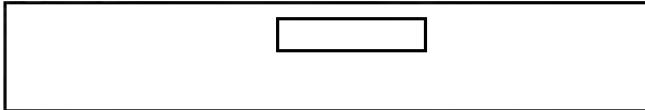
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT : Chairman Raborn's Announcement Regarding  
              OXCART Deployment

REFERENCE : USIB-D-41.14/288 (COMOR-D-25/212),  
              17 March 1966, Special Limited Distribution

1. In restricted session at its meeting on 24 March, Chairman Raborn informed the members of actions he had taken regarding the Board's recommendation at last week's meeting to deploy OXCART to the Far East (see reference). He said that he had forwarded the USIB recommendations by memorandum to Secretary Vance with copies to the other members of the 303 Committee. In addition he called Secretary Vance requesting that he take up the matter with Secretary McNamara prior to Mr. Vance's forthcoming trip to the Far East. The Chairman concluded by commenting that this was now 303 Committee business and that he hoped for early action on the USIB recommendations.

2. All holders of USIB-D-41.14/288 are requested to append this memorandum to that document.

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